

MINUTES
INDUSTRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS
UT - Joe Thompson Conference Center
2405 Robert Dedman Drive
Room – 3.120
Austin, TX
January 25, 2013 - 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Call to order.

The meeting of the Industry Advisory Committee (IAC) of the Texas Board of Professional Engineers (Board) was called to Order by Chair Coy Veach, PE on January 25, 2013, at approximately 10:00 a.m., at the Thompson Conference Center, Room – 3.120, Austin, TX

1. Introduction of Committee Members

Coy M. Veach, P.E., Chair
Perfecto Solis, P.E., Vice Chair
Shawn Bodine, P.E.
Dennis J. Frailey, PhD.
Jose Guerra, P.E.
Roxanne Pillar, P.E.
Walter Shumac, III, P.E.
Amy S. Smith, P.E.
Dan Witliff, P.E.

Staff present:

David Howell, P.E., Director of Licensing

Visitors:

Peyton McKnight, ACEC Texas

2. Public Comment. None.

3. Approve Minutes from March 23, 2012 IAC Meeting

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Guerra/Pillar) to approve the Education Advisory Committee minutes from the March 23, 2012 meeting. A vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED.

4. Update on Issues from the Board

Mr. Howell shared information regarding recent Board activities on the following topics:

- Legislative Session
- Sunset Review Update
- Rule Changes
- Computer Based Testing Update
- BS+30
- Software Engineering Update
- HB3 Windstorm Inspector Update
- Engineers/Architect Update

- Eweek
- Strategic Plan Update
- Compliance & Enforcement Processes Update
- NCEES Videos

Each item was discussed and committee members asked questions for clarification. During the discussion, Mr. Bodine asked Mr. Howell if the Board has made an effort to publicize current interpretation of the Industry Exemption in the Engineering Practice Act. He had gotten an individual interpretation from Mr. Clark, but wanted an official opinion. Mr. Howell stated he would follow up on it separately. No committee action was taken or recommended.

5. **Update on Advisory Faculty Licensure Task Force** – Mr. Veach briefly described the task force and the meeting that took place on September 24, 2012. He explained that the Task Force was created after the 2012 Joint Advisory Committee meeting for the purpose of encouraging licensure of Engineering Educators and identifying statutory and rule obstacles for increasing licensure of engineering faculty in Texas. The committee reviewed the position statement created by the Task Force and wanted to make sure to discuss it more in the combined advisory committee meeting in the afternoon. No formal action was taken.
6. **Current issues from Industry for discussion** – Mr. Veach opened the discussion by asking the committee members for topics. He brought up the need for clarity regarding the statutory and rule distinctions between Construction Project Management and Engineering. Mr. Veach described the issues related to this discussion and the overlap of certified construction or project managers and professional engineers. Other committee members, including Mr. Solis, described their experiences working with certified project managers. Mr. Veach asked Mr. McKnight about the position of ACEC-Texas on this issue. After more discussion it was clear that there is interest on this from several perspectives and that there are on-going discussions. No action taken on this item.
7. **Issues for Discussion for the Joint Education, Government and Industry Meeting** – The position statement of the Advisory Faculty Licensure Task Force and the actions to be taken by committee members to promote that position.
8. **Issues for consideration at the Next scheduled IAC meeting** – Developing guidelines and recommendations to assist the Board and staff in evaluating experience for Engineering Faculty.
9. **Adjourn**
Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:00 p.m.

Date Committee approved as submitted:	May 31, 2013
Date Board accepted:	August 29, 2013